

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

DUANE & VIRGINIA LANIER
TRUST, individually and on behalf of all
others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs

v.

No. CIV-15-634-G

SANDRIDGE MISSISSIPPIAN
TRUST I, et al.

Defendants

MOTION TO APPEAR TELEPHONICALLY

Defendant SandRidge Energy, Inc., (“SandRidge”) by and through its counsel of record, respectfully requests the Court permit lead counsel Herbert Beigel to appear at the upcoming status conference and motion hearing by telephone or other remote means. In support of this request, SandRidge would state as follows:

1. On January 7, 2021, SandRidge filed its Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 433). Plaintiffs timely filed their Opposition to Defendant SandRidge Energy, Inc.’s Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 434), and SandRidge subsequently filed a Reply in Support of Its Motion to Dismiss (Dkt. No. 436).
2. The Court recently set a status conference and motion hearing in this matter for September 24, 2021 at 10:30 a.m. Order (Dkt. No. 446).
3. Among other topics, the Court’s Order states that the parties should be prepared to discuss SandRidge’s Motion to Dismiss. Id.

4. Western District Local Civil Rule 16(b)(4) states that “[w]hen justified by the circumstances, the court may allow counsel or a party to participate in [a status and scheduling] conference by telephone.”
5. SandRidge’s lead counsel in this matter is Herbert Beigel. He has complete knowledge of SandRidge’s Motion to Dismiss and has also been the only attorney involved in discussions with other parties on issues such as settlement or treatment of other defendants.
6. Mr. Beigel must travel to Los Angeles, California on the evening of September 24, 2021, and he has already made travel arrangements for that trip from his home in Arizona.
7. SandRidge does not believe any party would be prejudiced by his appearing via telephone. However, SandRidge could potentially be prejudiced if Mr. Beigel were unable to appear telephonically, and appearing in person would pose a hardship to Mr. Beigel.

WHEREFORE Defendant SandRidge Energy, Inc. respectfully requests the Court exercise its discretion under Local Rule 16(b)(4) and permit counsel to appear telephonically at the status conference and motion hearing currently set for September 24, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 7, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was filed and served via the CM/ECF e-file system and/or U.S Mail upon the following:

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